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The War

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This is due to the most rigid press censorship that has ever been established in war time. Each of the great nations involved in the present titanic struggle knows that it is a matter of life and death, and for that reason they are allowing nothing whatever to be decided by chance. The general public, of course, is clamoring for news, and a large number of the able war correspondents in the world are located in different parts of the field of struggle. If these correspondents were allowed freedom of action their dispatches would be of the most interesting nature to every person in Canada, but at the same time they would reveal to the opposing forces the location of their enemies.

At the present time news, to hand indicates that the greatest battle the world has ever seen is either now taking place, or will take place in a very short time, in Belgium, where the German army numbering probably more than a million soldiers will meet the equally powerful army composed of English, French and Belgians. The outcome no one can forecast, but that it will mean the death of tens of thousands of the very finest physical specimens of manhood that these nations have produced is absolutely certain. Each of the parties in the great war realizes the tremendous importance to them of victory or defeat.

Germany is faced with the realization that defeat means the loss of territory, the payment of a very heavy war indemnity and the loss of her prestige and position as a world power. On the other hand, if Germany is victorious in the present war it will mean annexation of Belgium and Holland, and it is impossible to conjecture what it will mean for France and England. But there can be no speculation as to such an outcome. Because Germany cannot be permitted to triumph no matter what the cost. Germany victorious would mean the hand of civilization being set back half a century at least.

Already the loss to business houses throughout the affected area must have aggregated a gigantic figure. The seizure of a large number of German merchant vessels must have brought chaos upon many shipping firms in that country, and their failure would be absolutely certain to wreck strong financial houses.

Germany's shipping is tied up all over the world, and the seas are absolutely closed to her vessels, while English and French commerce is being carried on practically without interruption. This tremendous loss to German business interests is certain to create a reaction against the Kaiser and the Crown Prince. The very fact that German commerce is ruined will create a great food shortage in the German Empire in a very short time. Every source of food supply is cut off, as importation of wheat from Russia, Australia and Canada will be discontinued, and nothing from Argentina will be permitted to enter German ports. Undoubtedly the Germans had a good supply of food in advance, but it will be a matter of but a few months until they face a famine unless they triumph over their enemies and clear the seas for German commerce.

Up to the present time British financial institutions are standing the strain exceedingly well. The first days of the war produced a panic which, if continued, would have caused very shortly a financial crash. But wise counsels have prevailed and business has steadied wonderfully in the past few days. Hard times will necessarily follow the war, but careful preparation will enable Canada and Great Britain to pass through the crisis in better shape than was at first predicted.

WHAT OF THE FUTURE?

In the opinion of C. G. K. Nourse, of the Bank of Montreal, the end of the war will see the beginning of Canada's greatest boom. As to the fact, we are disposed to agree with Mr. Nourse, but it is not easily possible for Canada to miss this greatest boom altogether, or get it in such modified form as to make it of little practical value. Legitimate booms are not accidental occurrences. They come only when all conditions are favorable, and conditions that make for booms are not those where pessimism flourishes.

There is much truth in the statement that men usually get what they are looking for in this world. If it is trouble they want and they are industrious enough in their search for it, it will arrive all right. Only to a limited extent is it true that we are creatures of our environment; quite

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as frequently we are the creators of that environment.

Boon conditions cannot be created without proper settings. A hint of what these should be has been given to us by Sir Robert La Jorden and his ministers. Paced by a great crisis—the prospect in the history of Canada—these leaders have given us a sample of intelligent handling of a ticklish situation that should serve to us a splendid object lesson. There has been no hesitating, no indecision in any direction. Right at the difficulty, if these men went, with the result that today Canada is in fine shape as compared with other countries involved in the titanic war struggle.

A minister of militia who knew his business was on the job, and in record time what the British war office asked for has been forthcoming.

The enlistment of 25,000 troops and their transportation to a central mobilization point, practically ready for service on the fighting line, in the short time elapsed since the call came, is an achievement which could not have been accomplished with a head less capable than Col. Hughes.

The rapid commissioning of the Rainbow and Niobe, the purchase of two submarines, and the manning of coastal defenses with trained men, is a record that Canadians may well be proud of.

What is true of the militia chief is true also of the finance minister, who, sensing quickly the possible shock of the war to Canadian banks and financial institutions, with its natural reflex influence on the business of the country, almost anticipated the event with his relieving legislation, making it possible for business to proceed with full assurance that it was being adequately protected.

Add to these evidences of capability the further fact that the government, recognizing the possibility of illegitimate squeezing of consumers by people ready to make the war an excuse for price gouging, announced at the beginning of the game that it would introduce legislation giving it sufficient control over general trade to keep prices where they should be, and it must be conceded that the men in charge at Ottawa could not be bettered had they had a magic wand made for just such an occasion.

And how best can the people of Canada show appreciation of this evidence of splendid management of their affairs at the capital? In no better way than by adopting the same spirit as their own. There is a boom time in prospect for the Dominion, and it is possible for it to start even before the war ends. All that is needed for bankers, business men and workers to unite in preparing the way by creating the sort of environment as will compel a boom.

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RUSSIAN ARMY HURLS BACK GERMAN'S CAPTURING THREE BIG RAILWAY CENTRES

St. Petersburg, Aug. 23.—The Great Russian army invading East Prussia in a thirty-two-mile battle line, has hurled back the enemy opposing it, and has captured Insterburg, Goldapp and Arys.

Insterburg, on the north or right flank, is the great strategic railroad centre of East Prussia, no fewer than eight railways converging to it. Arys, on the extreme left flank, fifty miles from Insterburg, is another junction of strategic lines as also is Goldapp, half way between the line uniting Lyck and Insterburg.

The capture of this network of railways places the entire German position in the line of the Baltic Sea in jeopardy.

The operations in the region about Lyck and Arys probably were independent movements designed to clear the Germans out of the country of lakelets and morasses. The Germans put forth their utmost strength to oppose the Russian advance throughout the theatre of operations, and every step was won by fighting.

The retreat of the German army corps from the neighborhood of Lyck is what the Russians call a rout, but the Russian commander-in-chief is content to report a retirement of a very hurried nature.

On the north or right flank the fighting was particularly severe,

obstinate and prolonged. Three German corps made a determined effort to outflank the Russians, and the fighting was desperate for several days. Finally on Saturday the Russians broke into the German defence and took Insterburg and the surrounding districts. This makes good the Russian right.

In the centre the Russians assumed the offensive, captured a number of guns and drove the enemy beyond the line of country which the general plan of the commander-in-chief required for the development of future tactics.

On the left flank, the defeat of the Germans was signal, and they asked for an armistice to attend to the wounded and bury the dead. Grand Duke Nicholas refused. It was not until night-fall that the Germans gave way and the Russians occupied Arys.

The loss on the German side has been enormous in the series of battles on this front during the last six days. Whatever losses the Russians have had naturally will be considerable. The spirit of the men is that of an all victorious army, however great the cost of success.

The Russian Horse Guards especially distinguished themselves by a brilliant charge and the capture of a German battery, but that the losses were severe among officers and men is not doubted.

Among the trophies of the Russians in this series of fights is a large quantity of German railway stock with the necessary fuel.

The result of the fighting on

the Russo-German frontier is that Russia has secured command of a position and made good both flanks which rest upon large areas of marshy land, with innumerable lakelets, impracticable for manoeuvring armies, and has behind a network of German railways to assist in launching the next blow.

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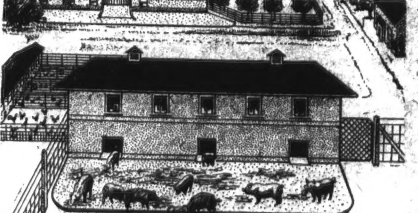
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There is no doubt that general consumption throughout the world will be materially curtailed; but that, curtailment will certainly not be anything like the stoppage of production. During the progress of this war, whether it be long or short, people must eat and must live, and the greater part of the necessities of life must be secured from America. Under these circumstances, therefore, there is positively no need to put the shutters on in any other part of Canada. War is not a welcome visitor at any time, but, even in the presence of war, certain advantages accrue to certain countries, and Canada is one country to which an advantage certainly will come in a business, industrial and agricultural way.

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SOME AMERICAN OPINION

The attitude of the American people concerning the war in Europe, as reflected in the press of the country, seems to be singularly unanimous. In every quarter the disposition is to blame Germany, though in denigrating Germany care is taken to make clear that it is the Kaiser, not the German people, that is meant. As the New York Tribune puts it:

"American opinion feels that the best thing that can happen to the world is to have the German militaristic idol shattered and thrown down in the dust. Without the least feeling against the German people, that is how the American public feels about the present German government and its works, and that sentiment is rightly reflected in the American press."

How educated Germans feel regarding the military madness of their country is well illustrated by the statement of a German professor, now resident in Grand Rapids. This is what he has to say, as it appears in the News of that city:

"I moved to America a short time ago," said he, "because I could no longer bear the insults of the soldiers. I could have made more money by staying in the fatherland, but any common soldier would crowd me off the sidewalk. He could try to flirt with my wife and my objections would be of no avail. I could get no satisfaction from the courts by complaining against a soldier."

Commenting on the situation in Germany the News says editorially:

"William II. has never, down in his heart, recognized any power but his own. He was dubbed the 'war lord' without ever having had a war. His preference for pomp and pageantry has grown with the years. He has not realized that other powers

have been advancing as rapidly in military matters as he has. Now he is learning his lesson. When this war is over William will be a wiser man, although he may have less territory."

The Rochester Herald says that the Kaiser talks and acts like a madman, adding: "We say 'mad' advisedly, for we are convinced that no potentate who was not mad would plunge his country into a war in which the odds will be so desperately against it. For we can hardly think that any sane man can believe that Germany and Austria, even if backed by Italy, whose support is withheld, could possibly hope to win against Great Britain, France and Russia, especially when Japan is ready to come to Great Britain's assistance, if needed, in fulfillment of her treaty obligations."

The same paper, speaking of the probable outcome of the war, figures that the four million Socialists in the fatherland will have something to say and that the probability is that the Kaiser will "not remain upon his throne a month after terms of peace have been declared."

The Oakland Enquirer expresses the same view more emphatically in a long article which closes with the suggestion that "if this deplorable conflict results in representation of government for Europe, to the abolition of the hereditary system, the world will be measurably recouped for the present loss."

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DISTRIBUTION OF RAMS AND BOARS BY THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

As the distribution of purebred stallions and bulls, 125 and 414 of which respectively have been located for the current year, it is announced that the Live Stock Branch of the Federal Department of Agriculture will undertake a further distribution of purebred rams and boars during the months of August, September and October next, to associations of farmers organized in districts which the services of satisfactory breeding animals of these classes are not already available. Applications for rams and boars, a large number of which have already been received, should be made as early date as it will not be possible to consider those that are not made prior to October 1st. Farmers desiring to secure the services of such stock should arrange to organize an association in their district and forward their application to the Live Stock Commissioner, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, from whom application blanks and all information with respect to the conditions under which purebred sires are distributed, may be obtained. It is understood that all applications shall be reported upon by officers of the Live Stock Branch and that favorable action as regards any application shall be subject to the approval of the Live Stock Commissioner. Letters addressed to the Department do not require postage.

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PEACE TALKS

A few short weeks ago many of us were unshaken in our belief that our Empire would ever remain at peace with the other great powers. We thought we had advanced much too far with our modern civilization ever to be plunged into a bloody struggle for the retention of that civilization. Easy it has been a swift and easy matter to revert to the original type of the days when there was no thought of universal peace—the same type but rendered infinitely more dangerous through the knowledge which is but the result of the same civilization.

We have heard a great deal about universal peace in the immediate past. There have been peace conferences and peace celebrations and others planned for the future. That Vienna should have been chosen as the scene of one of these now seems a burlesque; so quickly has the setting been shifted.

On the twenty-second of February next one hundred years of peace between the United States and Great Britain is to be observed. An elaborate exchange of appropriate and significant gifts has been arranged both between the United States and Canada and the United States and Great Britain. A bridge is to be built across the Niagara below the Falls, and arches to be erected

at various boundary lines. A memorial is to be erected on a pinnacle of the Rocky Mountains. Virginia is to send to London a replica of Houdon's statue of Washington and a statue of Lincoln by St. Gauden is also to be erected in London. The American committee have purchased "Selgrave Manor in Northamptonshire, the ancestral home of George Washington, where they will establish an institute to promote friendship and prevent misunderstanding among the people of the world."

All these things have been planned to mark the century of peace between two countries which must ever remain at harmony. During the present war the feeling that we of the British Empire and of the United States of America are of the same race and origin is sure to be strengthened, and instead of interfering in any way with the proposed centennial peace celebration between the two it should only tend to make that celebration more real and more important.

THE QUESTION OF THE HOUR

Is Italy on the eve of declaring war on Austria? She has mobilized about a quarter of a million of men on the Swiss and Austrian frontiers, "as a precautionary measure." The Austro-Hungarian ambassador has left Rome and his departure, it is stated, is not due to reasons of health, but is owing to the impossible situation resulting from the failure of his efforts to obtain Italian support for Austria and Germany. Concurrently, the Italian foreign office has summoned home, for a conference on the war situation, its ambassadors at Berlin, Paris, London and St. Petersburg.

It can be remembered that Italy might suffer severely if she joined her partners in the Triple Alliance in a general European war. There would be a rift in the friendly relations which always have prevailed between her and Great Britain; her territorial interests would be seriously menaced, she would stand to lose Tripoli, and her other African possessions would be imperilled. Her fleet with that of Austria would struggle cope with the combined British and French Mediterranean squadrons, and her splendid seaports would be blockaded. Social conditions at home are none too satisfactory, and the sight of Italian public opinion is more than directly in favor of the Triple Entente. The Globe believes that Italy is on the eve of declaring war on Austria, and throwing in her lot with Great Britain, France and Russia.

In such an eventuality, the prospects of Germany and Austria holding their own against France, Russia and Great Britain would be most remote, and in the case of the defeat of the two Teutonic empires, there can be no doubt that the "irredente" provinces—"Italia irredenta"—would pass, in the final settling up, to the Kingdom of Italy.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of Lacombe and Blindman Valley Electric Railway Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, in the office of Messrs. Macdonald & McBride, Solicitors, Lacombe, Alberta, on the 28th day of August, 1914, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

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Harvest and Market Prospects

Western crops are short to a very serious extent, and this will undoubtedly influence prices upward. Locally we stand to benefit by the better prices without the drawback of crop shortage, and as far as these conditions count, prospects could not be more favorable to us. The war, the horrors of which we cannot realize in our remoteness, is a factor to be reckoned with. It may still further boost prices in favor of the farmer, but authorities are not wholly in agreement on this. So much depends on the course of the war and its incalculable chances. But on the whole conditions favor good prices and prosperity for Northern Alberta. The shrinkage of business and values in cities, and the drastic re-adjustment necessary after a boom period must influence, in a downward direction, the prices of all commodities in the long run.

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THE FIELD OF WATERLOO

So far as can be discovered amid the necessary obscurity surrounding the conflict now prevailing in the Belgian Low Countries, a battle of momentous magnitude is now in progress on or near the historic ground of Waterloo. Do not let that splendid name intoxicate us. Do not let us indulge in "flag-waving" or jingoistic predictions. Let us emulate the stoic calm of the Romans during the Punic War and of the French during "Vance terrible," 1793. By a most unfortunate looseness of literary expression, Canadian writers (and journalists in particular) have acquired a habit of describing every petty everyday occurrence as "the greatest in history." For example, if Bill Smith gets drunk, falls down and cuts his nose, the trivial accident is described next morning by the police reporters as "the most horrible in history." A trumpeter's cattle show at some obscure village, which is not marked upon the map, is chronicled by the assiduous individual whose business it is to write up as "the most unique exhibition in history."

Thus it is that owing to the bombastic composition of far too many public writers, one of the most striking and impressive expressions to the hand of competent authors and orators has come in Canada to lose a great deal of its original immense force. H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught, however, is a man of disciplined mind and educated thought. As a consequence, he weighs his words before he gives vent to them in speech or writing, using the exact words which will convey to the public his ideas. As another consequence, his words are worth listening to; they are not mere trumpeting, signifying nothing. He spoke only too truly when he said the other day in parliament at Ottawa, that this is the greatest war in history. That is a tremendous thing to say, and, what is more, it is true.

All readers will remember the Punic War. That was a war waged for the mastery of the civilized world by the Aryan and the Semite. The Roman stood for the Aryan—the Carthaginian for the Semite. If the Carthaginian had won, we in Canada today would be worshipping Baal and Ashtoreth, and sacrificing our little children to Moloch. But the Roman won, and that is why we in Canada today are the descendants of a civilization is concerned, of Rome. Rome is horrible in history. A trumpeter's cattle show at some obscure village, which is not marked upon the map, is chronicled by the assiduous individual whose business it is to write up as "the most unique exhibition in history."

At the outbreak of the Punic War, in 264 B.C., Rome had practically no navy and Carthage commanded the empire of the sea. Her ships were everywhere, from the Levant to the British Archipelago. But the genius of Rome rose triumphant—she built a fleet of up-to-date ships and suddenly appeared, as did Japan only a score of years ago, as a naval power. She beat the Carthaginians on their own element, and became the empress of the ocean. That was only in the first Punic War; for there were two others to come.

In the second Punic War, Carthage, unable to assail Rome by

sea, fell upon her by land. Then occurred one of the most amazing military facts of history. Hannibal—a commander reckoned by soldiers as being one of the four greatest generals in the history of war, the others being Alexander the Great, Caesar and Napoleon—Hannibal fell upon Rome by land, making the famous march through Spain and France, and crossing the Alps into Italy. There were frightful battles. In all the Romans lost, but the spirit of Rome still kept up her head.

Then came the great battle of the Metaurus. Nero, the good consul Nero, not the bad emperor of the same name, utterly overthrew the enemy, and they were soon hunted out of Italy. The great Scipio then carried the war into Africa, the homeland of the Carthaginians (whose capital is represented by the modern Tunis), and Carthage was compelled to submit to a humiliating peace. Later came the final phase: Carthage itself fell before the arms of Rome, and the elder Cato, rising to address the senate, said "Carthage is destroyed."

In 1789, the French, once a people the most blindly vain of their ancient claims, suddenly arose and broke them with the most astounding rage and ferocity. A people of men and citizens suddenly appeared in the place of a herd of serfs and slaves. They established constitutional government and parliamentary representation. All Europe (save England) was then governed despotically. All the European despots united against France, to re-establish the old despotism. France stamped with her foot, and there sprang from the soil a million of armed men. During 1793 she kept fourteen armies on foot, for she was assailed on every frontier. Semi-civilization

reigned in Paris, but the spirit of democracy and liberty triumphed. The enemy was chased out of France, and the Tricolor flag of the Revolution—the flag of France today—was carried after them by France's soldiers through Spain to the Atlantic and through Germany and Austria as far as Moscow. Do you know what that did? It sowed the seeds of modern European liberty. For the European peoples, cumulating France, clamored for parliaments and constitutions—and they ultimately got them. That is why France today has engraved on her postage stamps the figure of the Revolution sowing the seeds of Liberty over the world.

The war in which the British Empire—our empire is now engaged is only comparable, in its vast import to the future of the human race, to the Punic War of Rome and France's War for Liberty in 1793. It is no time for flag-waving and jingoistic demonstrations. We must emulate the Romans and the French of old. The question now is whether Kaiserism or our own ideals of liberty and civilization are to dominate the world. The Globe remarked, at the beginning of this article, that a battle of momentous magnitude is now in progress on or near the historic ground of Waterloo. Don't wave flags! Don't indulge in jingoistic predictions! For all we know, the day may be against us. News of reverses are bound to come in a historic struggle such as that the world is now waging. Rome endured with calmness the news of the defeats she endured at the hands of the greatest general in the world then known—the battles of the Trebia, Trasimene, and Cannae, did not destroy her stoic calm—and she conquered in the end, and bestowed her civilization to the world. Let no small mishaps be magnified by

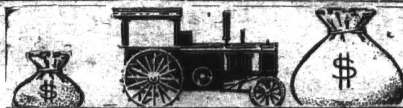
popular imagination to a great disaster. Let no small skirmishing be magnified by popular imagination to a great victory. Wait for the end, with the "sang-froid" of the real Britisher. Wait for the end—keep your "sang-froid," always remembering that the Union Jack should—and certainly will—emerge as triumphantly from the present struggle as did the flag of Rome and France's Tricolor of old.

WAR BREAKS OUR ONCE MORE IN MEXICO

Vera Cruz, Aug. 24.—Twenty thousand ex-federals, under Generals Labon, Aguilar and Arguendo, have taken the field near Puebla, according to authoritative dispatches received here by prominent Mexicans. These men say this action was to have been expected, since the troops have not received their pay and faced starvation. It is reported that General Aguilar has dynamited a constitutionalist military train between Apasco and Puebla, killing and wounding about 600, and has destroyed the tracks, isolating Puebla. Federals in the Isthmian district are reported to have refused to be mustered out and their movements are suspicious.

More than 500 federals who have been mustered have taken refuge here, saying that they feared execution if caught by the Constitutionalists, despite the assurances given them. They cite many instances of such executions around Mexico City. The problem, according to these men who are without money, is likely to be serious.

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Lacombe District News

Eckville News

Harvesting is now in full swing and crops are looking fine, but the hot weather for the last few weeks have crowded a little too fast. If frost does not set in too early this fall, the farmers will certainly get most of their fall plowing done, as this is an early harvest.

Dr. Evans made a trip to Edmonton last week, returning on Friday night. In the meantime quite a few people were calling for assistance in one way or another. Dr. Evans has a very big territory to look after. Some days he is going both day and night. If anyone gets acquainted with the country, he will find it a hard job.

The C.N.R. has now opened this road. Trains which carry both passengers and freight, pass Eckville going west on Mondays and Thursdays at 3.30 p.m., returning on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 9.30 a.m. Besides this, numerous coal trains are running both ways, sometimes as many as six a day.

The C.P.R. are also operating the Alberta Central. Trains leave Red Deer at 12.30 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, returning in the evening the same days. The company have put up a station half a mile west of the town of Eckville, the name being Kootuk. So if anyone wishes to go to Eckville via Red Deer, they should buy their ticket to Kootuk.

Local 58 Socialist Party of Canada are a very active bunch of fellows. They meet the first and third Sundays at 2 p.m. in each month. Judging from the regularity with which the members are attending the meetings, and from the books and literature used, one cannot but come to the conclusion that they are certainly doing a good work. Everybody is heartily invited to attend their meetings.

The party, which have their headquarters at Vancouver, B.C., have sent out a manifesto addressed to the workers of Canada which, after dealing with the cause of the present struggle in Europe and where the workers come in, says in part: "In no conceivable manner, shape or form, can the interests of the workers of any nationality involved be furthered or protected by their participation in the conflict."

The manifesto goes on along the same lines, and I might quote in conclusion: "The only struggle that can be of vital interest to the working class of all nations is that which has for its object the wresting of this power from the hands of the master class and using it to remove all forms of exploitations and servitude. To this struggle the Socialist party of Canada calls you."

The only barrier standing in our way is the ignorance in the ranks of our own class. As an international working class we have but one enemy—the international capitalist class.

Workers of the world, unite! You have nothing to lose but your chains; you have a world to gain.

The German war machine may be all right in Germany's back yard, but when it gets away from home it makes about as much commotion as a sewing machine in a sawmill.

Wittenburg News

We are having fair harvest weather at present. The barley cutting is completed. With another week of good weather the crops will be out of danger.

Mrs. Clifford, who has been visiting friends in the district, has returned to Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Teets, also Miss Teets, of Edmonton, have been taking a vacation. They returned last week.

We are sorry to announce the death of Mrs. J. W. Brown, who has been sick for a long time. She was 33 years old, and leaves a husband and two children to mourn her loss. Mr. Brown and family have the deepest sympathy of their friends and neighbors in their recent bereavement.

O. E. Archer is sick at the present time.

The stork visited the Russell Hall home and left a fine boy. Mr. Brown wishes to thank his friends for their kindness and sympathy in his recent loss.

"Were all medicines as meritorious as Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, the world would be much better off and the percentage of suffering greatly decreased," writes Lindsay Scott, of Temple, Ind. For sale by City Pharmacy.

Brooksley News

Harvesting has commenced in our neighborhood.

The war has called some of the young men from our midst, among whom are A. Sage, Mr. Sugg, Wm. Bothely, and many others. We have boasted of living in an age of civilization and Christianity—are we? The present decade bids well to be most barbarous.

The mixed train now runs on schedule time, making the trip clear to the mines and back. Due here going west on Mondays and Thursdays at 12.05, and going east on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 12.50.

The farmers have not been showing any great concern about getting a post office here yet, except by word. We should not be quick in this matter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stuart, a son.

It is reported on good authority that on Sept. 1st all C.N.R. construction work will stop for this year, which will end a job this year for thousands of men. Perilous times are now on us.

There is a sale of something every week at Stanley's store, but being at cost or below. Mr. Stanley has a car of flour on the way, due to arrive about Sept. 1st.

FLOATING TRADE OF GERMAN BROTHERS TO A STANDSTILL.

London, Aug. 23.—The admiralty has made public the following statement regarding the naval situation:

"The floating trade of Germany has been brought to a standstill by the operations of the British cruisers in the different parts of the world. The German fleet is unable to interfere or to set their commerce free owing to the British main fleet, which is cruising in full strength and preventing

any interference with the cruisers.

Already about seven per cent. of the total German tonnage is in British hands, another twenty per cent. is sheltering in neutral harbors and the remainder is either in German harbors, unable to move, or endeavoring to find security. British shipping with the exception of less than one per cent., which was in German harbors at the outbreak of war, is actively pursuing its business on all the great commercial routes.

"The German squadron in China has been rendered ineffective by the constant pursuit by the British squadron in the far east; trade in China is, therefore, unaffected."

"The Austrian squadron in the Adriatic has retired before the combined Anglo-French fleet which is 40 superior that it is able to send strong detachments to any part of the Mediterranean or adjoining seas in which naval forces may be required."

PROCLAMATION.

George The Fifth, by the Grace, Etc., Etc.

Whereas a state of war exists between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy;

And whereas there are many immigrants of Austro-Hungarian nationality quietly pursuing their usual avocations in various parts of Canada, and it is desirable that such persons should continue in such avocations without interruption;

Now know ye by and with the advice of our Privy Council for Canada, we do by these presents proclaim and direct as follows:

1. Such persons, so long as they quietly pursue their ordinary avocations, shall not be arrested, detained or interfered with, unless there is reasonable ground to believe that they are engaged in espionage, or attempting to engage in acts of a hostile nature, or to give information to the enemy, or unless they otherwise contravene law, order-in-council or proclamation.

2. All Austro-Hungarian officers or reservists attempting to leave Canada at any point on the Atlantic or on the Pacific shall be arrested and detained.

3. Precautions shall be taken at all important points, such as Halifax, St. John, Quebec, Montreal, Kingston, Toronto, Niagara, Hamilton, London, Port William, Winnipeg, Regina, Moose Jaw, Calgary, Lethbridge, Revelstoke, Sicamous, Mission Junction, New Westminster, Vancouver, Victoria, and any other similar points in the discretion of the Minister of Militia, to prevent Austro-Hungarian officers or reservists from leaving Canada for the purpose of entering the United States and thence proceeding to Austria Hungary, and any such officers or reservists making any such attempt shall be arrested and detained.

Of all which our loving subjects and all others whom these presents may concern, are hereby required to take notice and to govern themselves accordingly.

In testimony whereof, etc., etc. By command.

THOMAS MULVEY,
Under Secretary of State.

It may be Armageddon they're going to have in Europe, but the daily papers will be getting out extras to within five minutes of Gabriel's last call.

TOTAL COST OF EXPEDITION TO BE \$30,000,000.

Ottawa, Aug. 22.—In the common Friday night Sir Robert Borden presented an estimate of the probable cost of the overseas force to Canada during the current fiscal year. His figures were as follows:

Pay of 25,000 men for seven months, \$6,100,000.

Rations for 25,000 men for seven months, at 50 cents, \$2,100,000.

Five thousand horses, at \$200, \$1,000,000.

Forage, seven months, at 80 cents, \$60,000.

Subsistence of troops until arrival at Quebec, \$275,000.

Transport—men, horses, guns and equipment to Quebec, \$450,000.

Ocean transport, \$1,000,000.

Transport abroad, \$300,000.

Return transport to Canada, \$1,450,000.

Engineering services at Halifax, Quebec, and elsewhere, \$500,000.

Equipment, \$2,400,000.

Clothing, \$3,300,000.

Dominion arsenal, ammunition, \$660,000.

Troops on guard in Canada, \$2,000,000.

Movement, troops, ammunition, etc., increased \$100,000.

For additional troops and unforeseen expenses, \$7,615,000.

Total, \$30,000,000.

WHEREABOUTS OF THE BRITISH IS STILL MYSTERY

London, Aug. 22.—No indication yet appears in the English press as to the whereabouts of the British expeditionary force, and with the approach of critical operations in the vast campaign, the greatest curiosity and anxiety are expressed as to when the British troops will come into the fighting line.

Various descriptions, dated from various military camps in France, appear in the papers here, describing the excellent condition and the keenness of the British troops. It is announced, however, that the authorities will not allow the soldiers to write home to their friends.

SUPPRESSION OF SALE OF LIQUOR DURING THE WAR STRONGLY URGED.

Calgary, Aug. 22.—A war against liquor has been declared by the temperance forces throughout the province, and petitions are being sent to the attorney-general urging a general closing of the bars during the European war.

The Alberta Temperance and Moral Reform League is leading the movement and has already sent in a petition asking that this be done, if not during the entire course of the war, at least during the first few months of the conflict.

The petition goes on to request that after the suspension is called off, the hours in which liquor may be sold be reduced.

"The Women's Press Club, of Edmonton, has already sent in a request that this action be taken," said Rev. F. J. Gold, secretary of the Alberta Temperance and Moral Reform League, "and we expect the grand lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars in Alberta to take similar action. There is also a strong possibility that the provincial organizations of the W.C.T.U. will do the same thing."

"I have no doubt that the churches will join in the campaign as soon as it is generally known, and there is no reason why the campaign against booze during the war should not be a success."

"In this period of stress and distress, when every cent means much to the average man, it is criminal that he should be able to throw his money away over the bar to enrich the saloon keepers. Amid the distress and suffering that are bound to come this winter, such sinful waste of money should be stopped."

"Such action would not be confiscation," continued Mr. Gold. "The government has the power to do it, as was shown by its action in temporarily closing the bars at Hillcrest, following the great mining disaster there a few weeks ago. The government has the right to do this and will do it if the pressure is strong enough. It is up to us to make it strong enough."

Not content with this strategic move, the temperance people of this province have just issued a large edition of petitions to be disseminated everywhere, containing the draft of an act to prohibit the sale of liquor throughout the province. This, it is planned, will be presented to the provincial legislature when that body begins its sessions next autumn.

The act provides that liquor shall be sold in the province only for medical, mechanical and scientific purposes, and it can only be procured by filling out a specially designed affidavit.

The sale would be made by paid employees of the government, private interests being absolutely

excluded from having anything to do with liquor.

The petitions are now being circulated all over the province, so that should the flank movement to put the bar out of business during the war fail, another strategic movement still lies open in the autumn.

BRITISH PUBLIC WARNED NOT TO BE OVER-SANGUINE OF IMMEDIATE SUCCESS.

London, Aug. 22.—With the German occupation of Brussels, and the indications that the German plan of sweeping Belgium clear for an advance on France, is progressing, London and Britain are coming to a more adequate realization of the seriousness of the whole situation.

Up to the present Britain has lost few men on land or sea, although her co-operation has been invaluable. The fact that Britain has not itself heard the shriek of the angry shell or received any lists of dead and wounded, has created a sense of security which the newspapers are endeavoring to counteract.

Ten days or even a week ago the posters and newspaper headlines proclaimed each success "a great Belgian victory." This has proved an evil thing, causing the press and officials to inform the public that what has thus far happened were only "minor episodes," when considering the larger aspects of the situation.

This does not mean that England or her allies are dissatisfied with the progress of events. They say that they are pleased.

Although the events in Belgium are now described as a German failure, rather than a triumph by the allies, the situation is quite serious. The outstanding fact is that after three weeks of campaigning, not a single German soldier is on French soil, while the French army is in position and the ponderous Russian army is well advanced. If the Germans had walked through Belgium without any hindrance there would have been little surprise.

Their failure, to do so therefore is regarded as a distinct advantage for the allies. Many newspapers comment editorially on the necessity of the public preparing itself for reverses, misery and serious consequences. The people are urged not to become too confident or too certain that England's isolation guarantees immunity from the horrors of war or asserts the necessities of straining every nerve to assure the ultimate triumph.

The present week will bring developments of great magnitude. The German concentration in Belgium, where they are apparently centering their attention, is thought by some observers to portend a stroke elsewhere. The Spectator says that no doubt the Germans are planning such a thing.

"If they are, our generals of the allies who know that surprise is the essence of war, will, we feel sure, be able to accommodate them."

Much faith is pinned on the Russians whose hordes are slowly descending on the east side of Germany. The Russians move slowly, and each day the Germans are held in Belgium is a gain for the Russian host.

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How Germany Makes War

To get some idea of what has taken place in Germany, where war has been made the most highly-organized business in the world, picture in the first place, a little country only three quarters as large as Texas. Pack into that small territory 66 million people. If all the inhabitants of the United States were jammed into Texas, the crowding would be only a little more dense.

Out from the war office in Berlin to army posts all over the country goes the order calling the men of the first reserve, all of whom have had at least two years of military training, bringing the number up to nearly one and one-quarter million trained soldiers.

Cards of a different color have been sent out all over the empire calling to the army depots the six hundred thousand additional men of the "landwehr," or second line army. They range in age from 27 to 39 years and are also men who have a thorough military training.

Here are already 1,820,000 trained soldiers ready for action, and of the total number not more than one or two in a thousand are unable to read or write. In case of great emergency, such as the present, orders are also issued for the mobilizing of the "landstrum," or home guard, consisting of all former soldiers between the ages of 39 and 45.

Business—except the great business of war—will have already largely stopped. The government has seized not only the telegraph and cable lines, but it has taken possession also of all the railroad lines. Ordinary freight and passenger service is entirely discontinued. The usual train schedule is simply thrown away. In its stead a schedule of war trains, carefully prepared and ready in the war office, is put into effect.

After an army is mobilized it must concentrate as quickly as possible at the points from which it can most speedily strike a crushing blow at the enemy. How quickly that may be depends entirely on how rapidly troops and supply trains can be run over the railroad lines in the desired direction.

There is no business problem so difficult and complex as that of mobilizing and moving an army of one-half a million or a million men, with the possible fate of an empire depending on the saving of twenty-four hours in the process.

And not the men alone must be gathered and transported. First, of all the companies must be gathered into battalions, the battalions into regiments, the regiments into brigades, and the brigades into army corps. On a footing the German army contains twenty-five army corps, each with an enrollment of about 50,000 men.

Accompanying each little unit must go, on life supply trains, the proper amount of ammunition, of food and clothing, of drugs and surgical appliances. There must be for each brigade the established proportion of cavalry, the right number of field guns, horses and supply wagons, motor cars, bicycles, motor cycles, ambulances, flying machines, wireless telegraph apparatus, field telephones, all the immense quantity of mechanism and machinery without which a modern army is almost helpless.

One imagines that for the last few days every one of the 18 million families in Germany have been busy with "little else" than the tremendous preparations for war. All the ordinary business of life has been put aside. Buying and selling has almost stopped. There is no money to be had. The hotels are closed. Offices, factories and workshops are deserted. Grimly the whole nation has thrown itself into the fight.

From the war office have come maps, not only of their own country, but of all the territory through which it is planned to throw invading armies. Almost as soon as the mobilization begins the troops begin also to move.

It is important to deceive the enemy, both as to the destination and the number of troops entrained. Out over the gagged telegraph wires leak rumors—inspired by the war department—in such a direction, when exactly the opposite, perhaps, is the truth.

Not even the Germans themselves know the facts, none but the military men who are directing operations, and they, miles away from any possible firing line, direct by telephone and telegraph the movement of the troops.

During the Russo-Japanese war scores of Russian soldiers wrote home from their camps in Manchuria begging to be told some news of the war. Though they were a part of the fighting army, they knew nothing of the progress of the war.

So in Germany and with the world outside. It is part of military policy to conceal the facts, to bewilder and deceive the enemy with false statements.

A Hamilton spiritualist says he had a talk with Bismarck the other day and the old chancellor talked about "his dear people" with tears in his voice. Looks as if war impressions this side of the vale are just about the same as they are on the other side.

AFTER GREAT SERBIAN VICTORY AUSTRIANS FLEE IN DISORDER

Nish, Serbia, Aug. 23.—The following official communication was made public here today:

"After the great Serbian victory the Austrians fled in complete disorder before the Serbian pursuit."

"The 21st, 402nd, the 14th and the 28th Austrian regiments have been completely routed. The commander-in-chief of the 21st division of the Austrian infantry was killed, as was also the commander of the 28th regiment."

"Seventeen Austrian craft have been sunk by the Serbian artillery."

"The details of the great battle of August 20 are only now becoming known. The Austrian forces were composed of nine divisions, and numbered nearly 200,000 men. The Serbians were much inferior in numbers, but showed greater heroism. Their handling of their artillery, their superior marching and endurance, their discipline, and the accuracy of their fire, insured them the victory."

"During their flight the enemy committed atrocities in the villages of Brobitch, Bogosavatz and Acriatz, slaying women and children."

The German war machine may be all right in Germany's backyard, but when it gets away from home it makes about as much commotion as a sewing machine in a sawmill.

KINGS OF EUROPE ARE ALL RELATED

If the matrimonial alliances of European royalty were allowed to play as important a part in the present muddle as they did in the Middle Ages, the confusion attendant on Europe's present crisis would be many times more remarked. Nearly every ruler in Europe is in some way entangled with all the others through family connections, and if hereditary descent had anything to do with the problems of national alignments, the mess would be beyond solution.

Take England to begin with. George, the present king, is the grandson, on his mother's side, of Christian IX, of Denmark, and the brother-in-law of Prince Charles of Denmark, who is Hagen VII, king of Norway. This for the Norse-English ties are close.

But the late king, Edward VII, left a brother and two or three sisters who have helped complicate England's royalty. Prince Arthur, Duke of Connaught married Princess Louise of Prussia and their daughter married the Swedish prince, Gustav Adolfus. Princess Helena, eldest sister of the late king, contracted an alliance with Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein and their second daughter married a minor German prince of Anhalt. And Princess Beatrice, youngest sister of Edward, married a son of the Prince of Hesse, from which union was born Victoria Eugenie, the bride of Alfonso XIII, of Spain.

England's international matrimonial alliances are simple compared with those of the German Empire. The German Empire is divided into four kingdoms, six grand-duchies, five duchies, seven principalities, three free towns and the Reichsland of Alsace-Lorraine—that is, so many are represented in the Bundesrat and the Reichstag. There are numberless duchies and counties which boast detached nobles of all grades. Almost all of the various divisions of the empire retain their hereditary rulers, and these keep up some sort of state of their own. And each of these subdivisions of the German Empire has its royal or ducal family forming all sorts of alliances not alone among the other states of the Kaiser's dominion but among all the countries of Europe. Here are some of the alliances between the ruling families of German states and other European countries, which have yet to be mentioned.

Wilhelm II, German Emperor and King of Prussia, is the son of the Emperor Friedrich III, and Victoria, Princess Royal of Great Britain. Wilhelm married the Princess Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein-Sonderburg-Augustenburg. Franz Josef I, of Austria, is to embrace the empire, but in spite of their length really mean only a small part.

The marriages of the Kaiser's sons have been within the empire, with princesses of German states. But the Kaiser's sister, Princess Sophie, is married to Konstantin, crown prince of Greece.

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CHORUS

O Canada! O Canada! O Canada,
We stand on guard for thee,
O Canada! O Canada! O Canada,
We stand on guard for thee.

O Canada! Where pines and maples grow,
Great prairies spread and lordly rivers flow,
How dear to us thy broad domain,
From East to Western Sea,
Thou land of hope for all who toil,
Thou true North, strong and free!

O Canada! Beneath thy shining skies,
May stalwart sons and gentle maidens rise,
To keep thee steadfast through the years,
From East to Western sea,
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its leased territory in China, busy with warlike preparations, while its armed vessels, cruising the seas of Eastern Asia, are threatening our commerce and our ally. The peace of the far east is thus in jeopardy.

"Accordingly our government and that of his Britannic majesty, after full and frank communication with each other, agreed to take such measures, as may be necessary for the protection of the general interests contemplated in the agreement of alliance. We on our part being desirous to attain that object by peaceful means, commanded our government to offer with sincerity, advice to the imperial German government. The last day appointed for this purpose, however, having come, our government failed to receive an answer accepting their advice. It is with profound regret that we, in spite of our ardent devotion to the cause of peace, are thus compelled to declare war, and particularly at this early period of our reign and while we are still in mourning for our lamented mother."

"That is our earnest wish that by the loyalty and valor of our faithful subjects peace may soon be restored, and the glory of the empire be enhanced."

CHASED SUSPECTS IN AMISK MURDER ACROSS CONTINENT.

Edmonton, Aug. 22.—Sergeant McBrayne of the Mounted Police, arrived in the city yesterday with Albert McGill and Percy Steele, the two men suspected of the murder of Justice of the Peace Shivas at Amisk, two months ago. The men will immediately be taken to Amisk for their preliminary trial. The chase for the perpetrators of this crime has been a hard one, and McBrayne is entitled to credit for his work in the chase. He chased the men across the continent.

The evidence which led up to the arrest of the present suspects is of a sensational nature. It seems that McGill, with two accomplices, had been travelling for some time through the country in the vicinity of Amisk, and as a result several petty burglaries were reported. Just after the murder, McGill returned to his old haunts, and the difference of a pair of boots he wore led to suspicion on the part of those who knew him that he might have been connected with the murder. His return to his old haunts was made for the purpose of securing some photos he had left behind. On of these, a photo of himself, he did not get, and after this had been identified by many in the neighborhood, the detectives were after him. In the meantime he had gone to Calgary and from there had gone east on a stock train.

Sergeant McBrayne started in pursuit with no better knowledge than that the man might be in Toronto. He was finally located with a chum on a boat between Hamilton and Toronto, and both men were arrested. The third man is now known by the authorities, and his arrest will be only a matter of a few days.

Since his arrest it is said that McGill has confessed to being with the gang, but denies he fired the fatal shot. He is about 20 years of age and comes of good family.

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